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**-----MEDIA ADVISORY-----**

**MAYOR PEREZ BRINGS HOSPITAL LEADERS  
AND HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TOGETHER  
TO HELP HARTFORD'S UNINSURED**

**WHAT:** News Conference for Mayor's "Healthy Communities Initiative"--- during "The Week of the Uninsured"

**WHEN:** Friday, May 6, 2005 at 3:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Mayor's Function Room (2<sup>nd</sup> floor City Hall, 550 Main St.)

Mayor Perez, in collaboration with City Health Care Providers, will announce an effort to increase access to healthcare for uninsured Hartford residents.

About 27,000 Hartford citizens are living and working without healthcare coverage. That means many City residents are either going without needed care--- or minor illnesses become major ones because care is delayed. This, in turn, is a financial burden on families, hospitals and the health care system. More and more, people wind up using emergency rooms because they are unable to afford a regular doctor's visit.

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